#### Natamax<sup>TM</sup> Natural Antimicrobial

Natamax<sup>TM</sup> contains the **antimycotic agent**, **natamycin** - a natural preservative. It is used to **control spoilage due to yeast and mould growth** in a variety of foods and beverages.

#### Composition

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Natamycin, also known as pimaricin, is a polyene macrolide produced by the actinomycete bacterium Streptomyces natalensis. Natamax<sup>TM</sup> is manufactured by fermentation of this microorganism in a carbohydrate-based medium. The fermentation product of natamycin is concentrated, crystallised and dried, before being blended with lactose, glucose or salt to give a 50% blend of natamycin.

#### Solubility and stability

Natamax<sup>TM</sup> has no taste or odour and has low solubility in water.

The product performs well between the pH range of 3 and 9 with only little reduction in activity. It remains stable at ambient temperature and is unaffected by short periods of exposure to temperatures as high as 100°C but must be protected from exposure to direct sunlight.

#### Sensitivity to Natamax<sup>TM</sup>

Natamax<sup>TM</sup> can control a range of yeasts and fungi.

#### Regulations and safety

Natamycin is an approved food additive, but regulations regarding its usage differ from country to country. The joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives has set an acceptable daily intake of 0.3 mg per kg of body weight per day.

### **Key benefits**

• Extends food **shelf life** by controlling yeast and mould spoilage

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- Reduces product recalls resulting from spoilage (and cuts manufacturing costs)
- Satisfies consumer demand for natural products
- No adverse flavour to food (unlike sorbates which can impart a bitter taste)
- Stronger cidal activity compared to sorbate
- Prevents formation of potentially carcinogenic mycotoxins
- Covers a very broad spectrum of activity most yeasts and moulds are sensitive to very low levels of the preservative (<1 - 40 ppm)</li>
- Does **not act against bacteria** unlike sorbates: This makes it useful for food products such as cheese and dry sausages in which bacteria are key to the **ripening process**
- Remains on food surface for a long time where contamination usually occurs
- Proven to be a **safe antimycotic** agent. Used in a variety of food products for more than 30 years. It has been approved as a food additive in over 40 countries

## **Primary applications**

Natamax<sup>TM</sup> Natural Antimicrobial can be used in many products:

- Surface treatment for cheeses
- Surface treatment for semi-dried, cured meat products
- Wines
- Yogurts
- Fruit juices
- Bakery products

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